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National Briefs

Carter eager to clear scandal

President Jimmy Carter said he is eager to appear before Senate investigators and "the sooner the better" to answer questions about his brother Billy Carter's dealings with the government of Libya and the Justice Department probe into that relationship.

"I am convinced that the facts will make clear that neither I nor anyone acting on my behalf ever sought to influence or to interfere in the investigation," Carter said in a statement to reporters at the White House Tuesday.

The President went on to say that next week he would submit a written report to the Senate subcommittee investigating his brother's activities.

"I am willing to respond and eager to respond in person to further questions from members of that subcommittee in a manner consistent with the responsibility of my office at any time in the future, the sooner the better," he said.

If Carter does respond to questions from the Senate panel in person, it will be the second time in recent history a president has subjected himself to questioning at a televised congressional hearing. The statement Tuesday was the President's first direct response to the controversy, other than a written statement issued last week.

A house resolution has ordered Carter to turn over records concerning his brother's dealings with the government of Libya. It asks when the president learned that his brother was being investigated by the Justice Department and that he had received \$220,000 from the Libyan government. It also asks for any State Department in its investigation of his activities as an unregistered foreign agent.

In this week's Harris poll, Carter's popularity has sunk lower than even former President Richard Nixon during his final months in office.

Shah dies in Egypt; U.S. issues cautious reply

The former Shah of Iran, Mohammed Reza Pahlavi, died in exile Sunday of heart failure and internal bleeding. "The blood-sucker of the century has died at last," said Tehran Radio in Iran.

President Anwar Sadat, who gave shelter to the cancer-ridden shah in Cairo, Egypt, said, "Let history judge the shah as a ruler" and promised a massive funeral with full honors.

Pahlavi, 60, was suffering from fever, pneumonia and infection on top of chronic lymph cancer that he fought for seven years. His body could no longer fight infection and other complications, his doctors said.

The former shah's last words were, "Please agree on a (treatment) program as quickly as possible and let me know," said medical sources at the elite Maadi armed forces hospital by the River Nile.

Pahlavi's condition began to deteriorate Saturday afternoon when he suffered a six-hour hemorrhage in which he lost a quart and a half of blood. Despite blood transfusions, antibiotics and attempts to stop the bleeding at 5 a.m. Sunday doctors gave his condition as hopeless.

The former shah fled Iran and the Peacock Throne on Jan. 16, 1979, without formally abdicating. He had ruled for 38 years.

Sadat said that, contrary to his wishes, Pahlavi would be given the equivalent of a state funeral, but without visiting heads of state.

Former President Richard Nixon, one of the shah's oldest friends, would attend, said the Middle East News Agency.

Iranian officials said the shah's death "changes nothing" for the 52 American hostages. The Carter administration response was unusually cautious with no expression of sadness or any reference to the shah's close relationship with the United States.

Ford loses \$468 million

Ford Motor Co. lost \$468 million in the second quarter of the year, said the automaker Tuesday. Ford, who is second in automobile production in the United States, had its worst showing ever.

The loss would have been \$564 million if it had not been for the tax credits, Ford said.

The drop is \$3.89 per common share. This contrasts with profits of \$512 million or \$4.28 per share in last year's second quarter.

Ford Chairman Philip Caldwell and company President Donald E. Petersen said the decline from last year's figures "primarily reflected lower volume in North America and Europe resulting from weaker economic conditions and higher sales of imported vehicles from Japan."

Other American car manufacturers reported heavy losses. General Motors Corp. said it lost \$412 million, which would have been \$719 million without tax credits. American Motors Corp. reported a loss of \$85 million and Chrysler Corp., who has not issued a detailed report to stockholders, had told the federal government it lost \$555 million.

Ford has also been hurt by unfavorable publicity for some of its cars.

In 1978 the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration forced a recall of 1.2 million Pinto and Bobcat sedans because the fuel tank was allegedly prone to catch fire in rear-end collisions. This led to Ford's indictment on charges of reckless homicide in Indiana when three teen-age girls, riding in a Pinto, died in a fiery collision. The acquittal of Ford was ended by a trial this spring.

Murderer refused parole

Susan Atkins, one of the Manson family partners in murder, was refused parole Tuesday after she tearfully told a prison board nothing could ever "undo or outweigh the ugliness of my past."

"The realization of what I've done repels me as a person," said Atkins, 32.

Atkins was convicted of eight murders and has confessed she stabbed pregnant actress Sharon Tate while she was a follower of cult leader Charles Manson. The conviction came in 1969.

Alumni considers buying house

The NWMSU Alumni Association is currently looking at a house to be bought for alumni and University and community activities.

The house, located at 640 College Avenue, is being sold for \$115,000. The Alumni Association hopes to raise a major portion of this sum in the next few weeks by conducting a fund raising drive. The drive consists of a leaflet being sent to all NWMSU alumni offering them the chance to contribute money for this purpose.

Bob Henry, public relations officer, said, "The house has potential advantages for NWMSU Alumni that have never been offered before. It will be the permanent office for the Alumni Association as well as accommodate visiting alumni. A new atmosphere for campus activities such as receptions, student recruitment, conferences and seminars is also part of the plan for the house."

"The alumni will feel like they will always have a place to come back to," said Henry.

The house, referred to by many as the Townsend house, has four bedrooms and baths, a partially finished basement and six rooms on the main level. The house was built in 1927 by the Townsend family and has been in the family since then.

The current owners of the house, Bohm Townsend and his wife, Vicki, are NWMSU alumni.

"This will give the alumni a tangible place to gather on Homecoming or any other time they come back to visit the

campus," said Henry.

"The plans should be finalized before long and the final decision will be made

soon," Henry said. "As of now, everything is just in the working stages."



Sold?

If all goes well, the University will purchase the Townsend House for an Alumni Association guest house. The house is directly across the street from the President's house on College Avenue. [Missourian Photo/Dave Gieseke]

Primary elections set for Aug. 5

By Roger Hagewood

Primary elections for federal, state and county government offices will be held at various community centers in Maryville, Aug. 5.

The polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Precinct A voters will vote at the Margaret Davison Complex, precinct B voters at the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, at West First and Walnut Streets, C at the First Christian Church, at West Third and Buchanan Streets, D at City Hall, 415 N. Market St., and E at Maryville High School.

The primary will decide candidates for the general election, from governor down to committee chairpersons.

Teasdale, Coleman,

Eagleton seek

re-election.

In addition to voting for public office, there will be a vote on a levy issue for the Maryville School District. If passed, the levy will increase the operating levy of the school by 35 cents, from \$3.75 to \$4.10. At the same time, the debt service levy will decrease from 50 cents to 15 cents, causing the total tax levy to remain the same.

This funding exchange would generate \$122,000 for use in operation of the school.

Seven gubernatorial nominees will be listed on the Aug. 5 ballots. Gov. Joseph Teasdale, 44, will be seeking re-election for a second term. Opposing him on the Democratic ticket will be James Spainhower, present treasurer for Missouri, and Milton Morris, a 68-year-old Kansas City tavern operator.

Seeking the gubernatorial office on the Republican ticket will be former Missouri governor Christopher Bond, present Lt. Gov. Bill Phelps. Farmington writer and salesman Troy Spencer, and retired Kansas City shop owner Paul Binggeli.

Seven names will also be listed on the ballots for the U.S. Senatorial seat. Sen. Thomas Eagleton, 51, is seeking re-election to the U.S. Senate. Opposing him on the Democratic ticket will be Lee Sutton, a retired farmer from Columbia and Herb Fillmore, 53, a retired aircraft woodworker from Independence.

The Republican ticket for U.S. Senator will list Gregory Hansman, 51, a bank guard from University City, David Doctorian, a 45-year-old state senator from Macon, Dr. Morris

Duncan, a practicing physician from Kansas City and Gene McNair, a 44-year-old St. Louis County Supervisor.

Roy Blunt, a 30-year-old resident of Strafford, is running unopposed for the Republican nomination for lieutenant governor. Blunt is presently serving as Greene county clerk.

The Democratic ticket for lieutenant governor will list Kenneth Rothman, 44, speaker of the Missouri House; Mickey Owen, 64, a former catcher for the St. Louis Cardinals and Kansas City Blues; Roy Smith, 76, a firefighting equipment salesman from Cape Girardeau; William Roy Bean, a specialty and tabloid newspaper publisher from Fletcher; and Ken Carnes, a 47-year-old private investigator and consultant from Lee's Summit.

Everett Brown, Maryville, is running unopposed on the Democratic ticket for his third term as Fifth District state representative. No nominee is listed on the Republican ballot.

James Russell, Savannah, is running unopposed on the Democratic ticket for his fourth term as Sixth District state representative. No nominee is listed on the Republican ticket.

Tom Coleman, Kansas City, is seeking re-election to his current office of Sixth District U.S. congressman on the Republican ticket.

The Democratic ticket for Sixth District U.S. Congress lists Gene Schweizer, a trucker and farmer from Gallatin; H.N. Sutherland, a Bethany dentist; and Vernon King, a three-term veteran of the House of Representatives.

Cliff McNair, of Maryville, intended

to be a candidate for Fifth District representative, but missed the filing deadline of April 29.

Mic Jones' originally filed for the office, but withdrew in favor of McNair. A last-minute Republican quorum

nominated McNair, but missed the deadline for filing.

Nominees for other public offices will be decided in the Aug. 5 primary. Sampling ballots are available at the Nodaway County Courthouse.

Fall enrollment increases 11.4 percent from 1979

Pre-registration for the 1980 fall semester ended July 18 showing an 11.4 increase over the number of students who registered in the summer of 1979.

"It went quite well," said Phil Hayes, acting registrar and dean of students. "We were hoping for 1,150 first-time students at pre-registration. A preliminary headcount of enrollment packets indicates we had 1,170 first-time freshmen and first-time transfer students. We're hoping for 1,200 to 1,250 by the end of general registration in August. If so, it will be the largest class since the 1970-71 school year."

About 50 staff and faculty members assisted each day during the two-week pre-registration sessions.

Hayes said the staff and faculty members assisting in the process were adequate to keep things running smoothly, with a few minor exceptions.

"We had enough help, except in three academic areas," Hayes said. "We had a large group of students with undeclared majors. Seven or eight faculty members were advising that group. We also had a large number of business and elementary education majors. Advisement was slow in these

areas because faculty members had to go back and forth between advising and teaching classes.

"Starting the second week of pre-registration we had a number of class sections closing," Hayes said. "I'm sure that the department chairpersons are going to have to review this, because we still have general registration to go. Practically all sections of speech, lecture and performance and bioscience were closed. It's a good problem to have."

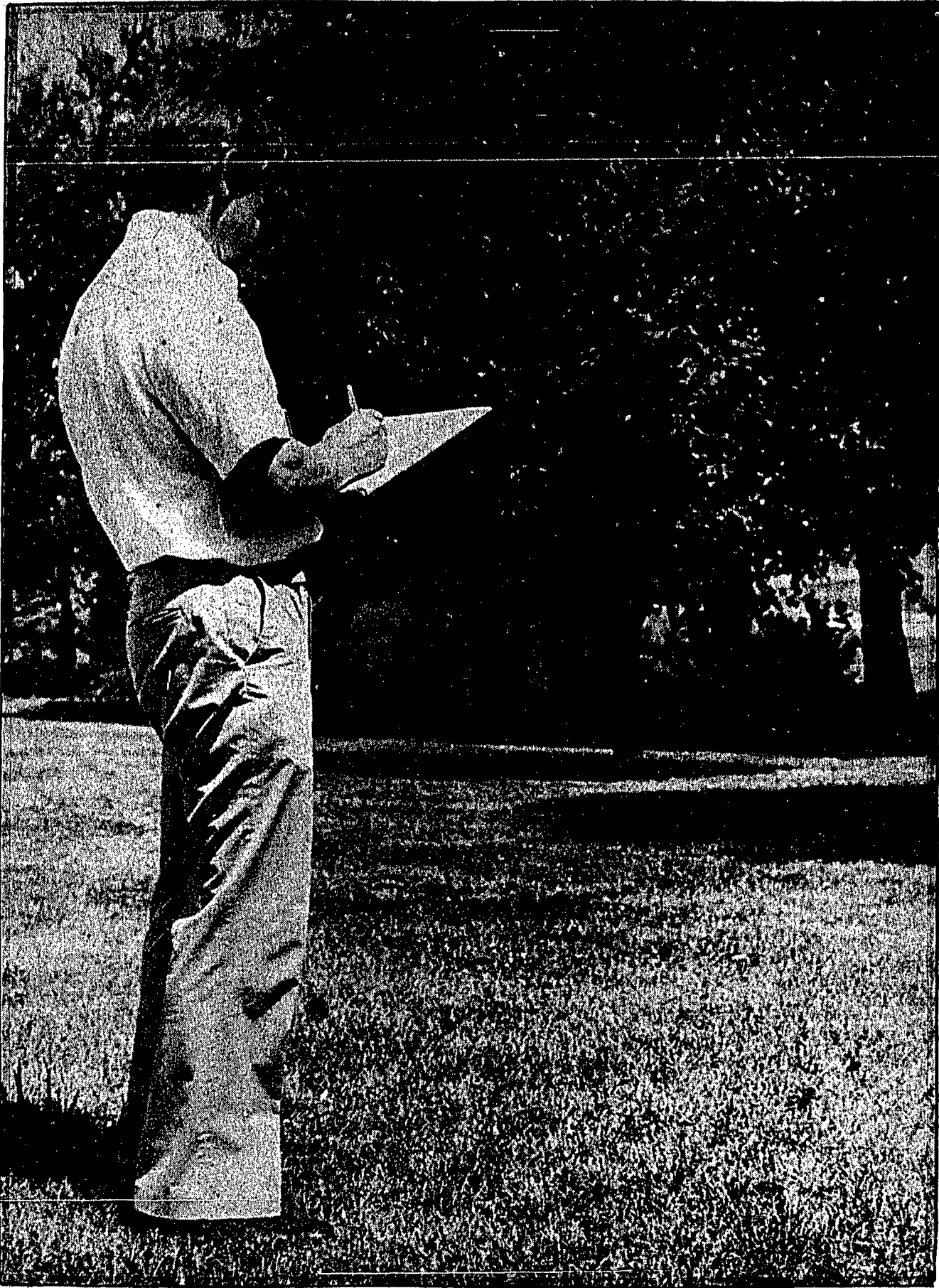
Based on the high enrollment figures, additional sections may have to be opened, Hayes said. He also said that the acquisition of additional staff members may become a necessity.

Hayes said the added number of enrollments may be a problem at first, but will be worked out quickly.

"I don't think there will be any problems as far as classroom facilities," Hayes said. "We lost some classroom space in the Administration Building fire, but we gained some back through the Ag-mechanics Building and the Communications Building. The problem may be more with staffing."

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Save the trees

Although the bids aren't in for the performing arts center, work has begun. Landscape architect Jim Bassett of Ohio was on campus Tuesday and located all the trees in the College Park area. Bassett said that the project will be built as to save as many trees as possible. [Missourian Photo/Dave Gieseke]

News Briefs

Rowlette receives grant

Ann Rowlette, assistant professor of home economics at Northwest, has received a research grant from the Research Coordinating Unit, Division of Career and Adult Education, a division of Missouri's Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

As a result of the grant, Rowlette will be the principal investigator on a project to assess the need for adult day care centers in Northwest Missouri. Her research will be designed to specifically determine the feasibility of establishing an adult day care center as an exemplary program in the Department of Home Economics at Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville.

Commencement set for Aug. 8

Summer commencement will be at 7 p.m. Aug. 8 in Lanikin Gymnasium. This commencement will be shorter than usual because of the summer heat.

"One of the concerns following spring commencement was that it was very long and very warm," said President B.D. Owens. "We were especially thinking of the older people at the ceremony who were there to see their grandsons or granddaughters graduate and would be sitting through this hot ceremony."

Owens said there would be no speakers and no distinguished alumni awards at the commencement ceremony. Owens will deliver the opening remarks which will be mainly welcoming and congratulatory.

Graduate diplomas will be handed out by Dr. Leon Miller, dean of graduate school. Dr. George English, vice president of academic affairs, will hand out the other diplomas.

All instructors teaching the second five weeks and some selected staff are required to take part in the processional and remain for the commencement ceremonies.

University to observe holiday

For the first time in three years, Labor Day will be a holiday at Northwest. "It was felt that Labor Day is a national holiday and we should observe it," said Bob Henry, public relations director.

Students will pre-register Aug. 28 through 30 and the following Monday, Sept. 1, will be a holiday.

"About two years ago we had a committee of faculty and students do a study on the calendar," said President B.D. Owens. "They made suggestions and one of those suggestions was that we start school a few days before Labor Day so we can have it off."

Owens also said last year some students had requested Labor Day off. "The only problem with it is that it might make a larger than usual late registration on Tuesday," Owens said.

Student Senate and other groups are willing to help out with late registration, Owens said.

"We're willing to try it," Owens said. "If it works out well, we'll probably keep it up."

Henry said Labor Day is a scheduled holiday in the 81-82 calendar.

Students find jobs scarce

Even though Nodaway County has the third lowest unemployment rate in the state, there is still a real shortage of jobs in the Maryville area, said Vonda Thompson of the Missouri Job Service. Nodaway County's rate is 3.3 percent, higher only than Atchison and Holt counties.

"Most of the employment we have to offer college and high school students are restaurant jobs," Thompson said, "that can fit the student's schedule for summer and fall, and odd jobs such as yard work and loading trucks. There is one factory that will hire a student for 40 hours a week if they can work the third and fourth shifts, but we mostly have part-time jobs to offer students."

Jay Carlson, a summer school student, is employed as a night watchman and janitor at the UniRoyal plant.

"I like the money and it is a job that I can work around my school schedule, since I work the night shift and weekends," Carlson said.

Julie Pesek has been working at McDonald's restaurant for two months since summer school started.

"I like my job," Pesek said. "It gives me an opportunity to make money so I can work my way through school. The hours are flexible and I like meeting people."

Pesek is a graduate student with a B.A. in elementary education.

Another student that has found a job that still allows him to take classes is senior Dave Minnick who is currently employed at the Smoke Shop.

"The money's good and I used to work at a liquor store before this so I guess this is the perfect job for me while I'm in college," he said. "The hours are flexible enough so I can attend summer school. I have been fortunate enough to make enough money to support myself this summer. I think I appreciate my job this summer more than ever being, seeing how so many other people are unemployed."

Women's caucus formed

"To provide advocacy and support of women for increased awareness of their educational and career possibilities" is the purpose of the NWMSU women's caucus, said Martha Cooper, a member of the newly developed organization.

The caucus was developed in late February of this year to provide the special attention that women need.

"We started out wanting to find something to do for Women's Week, and came up with this," Cooper said. "Many campuses already have an organization for women."

The caucus consists of NWMSU faculty, staff, students, as well as Maryville citizens. Both men and women can participate in the caucus.

"The organization isn't limited to women only. Though there have been no men join, several have shown interest and support in the cause of women," Cooper said.

"We try to increase the awareness of women in the job world as well as the working mother," Cooper said. "We want to help them get the best payment for the work they do and train them how to become a more assertive leader in society. Women across the nation are becoming more aware of the stereotyping they have to put up with when they go into the business world. We want to make the local women just as aware."

Though there aren't any formal offices currently held by the women in the organization, by the fall semester a

more organized and definitive group should emerge.

"In the fall we will be deciding on officers and committees for the group," Cooper said. "Right now there are no real official offices held by any of the women. Some women have stronger leadership qualities and take hold. We also hope to have a student advisory board and want to make it more of a student-awareness group."

The caucus has been formed to meet the special needs of women in the area. It's a new idea to the northwest part of the state and has been well accepted in its beginning stages, Cooper said.

The next meeting for the caucus will be sometime after the fall semester starts. Until then, meetings are called only when the need arises.

Coss has paper published

David Coss, assistant professor of English, has had "The Reader in 'Bartleby the Scrivener'" accepted for publication by the Missouri Philological Association.

The paper deals with Herman Melville's short story "Bartleby the Scrivener."

"Most people who have read 'Bartleby the Scrivener' tend to sympathize with the clerk in the story, but in my paper the reader is

encouraged to sympathize with the lawyer in disposing of Bartleby," Coss said. "Thus, allowing the reader to re-enact the pattern of scapegoating."

"I got this idea last fall and wrote the paper just this spring," said Coss.

"Melville wrote the story so that the reader would temporarily sympathize with the lawyer, but through most of the story he plays psychological games with the reader," said Coss. "My approach is somewhat of an unusual and extreme

viewpoint and procedure."

In order for the paper to be published, it had to be read at the Missouri Philological Association convention. After the paper was read, Coss submitted the article to the Association for possible publication.

"There were only five or six of the 85 papers read accepted for publication, and mine happened to be one of them," Coss said.

The publication will be released sometime this fall, Coss said.

Deadline past for absentee ballots

Wednesday was the last day that absentee ballots could be mailed out from the Nodaway County Clerk's office, said County Clerk John Zimmerman.

"You may register here in the office up to the day before the primaries, however," said Zimmerman.

"We have mailed out about 130 absentee ballots," he said. "And we have gotten about 80 returned to us."

July 9 was the last date for people to register to vote in the Aug. 5 primary, he said.

On Wednesday, Zimmerman said that about 12,400 people had registered to vote in the county for the primaries.

The procedure for the national and state elections in November for absentee voting is the same as the primary procedure.

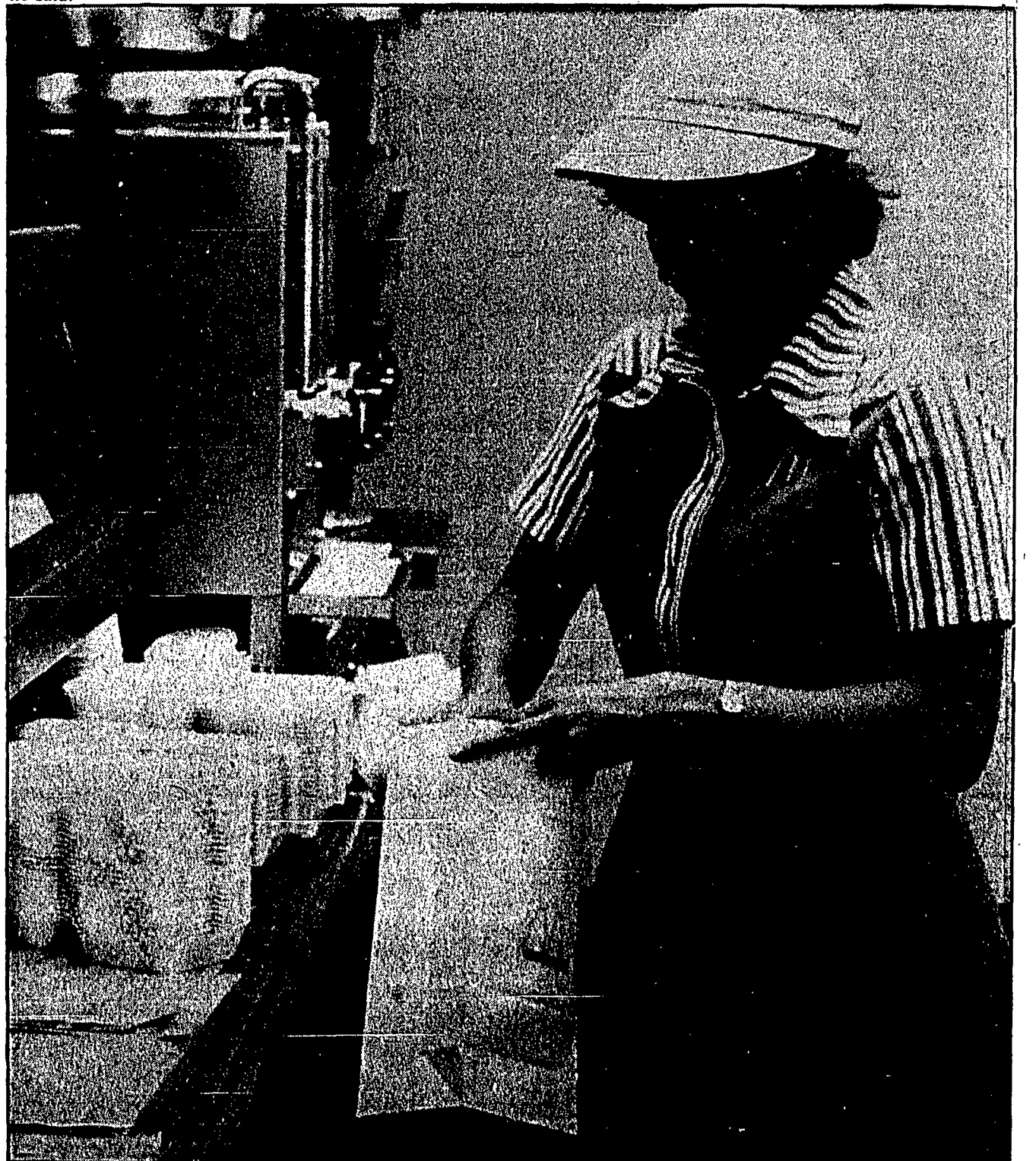
The latest that we can send out absentee ballots is the last Wednesday before the election," Zimmerman said. "And you can vote in the office up until the day before the election, which would be Nov. 3."

Even though Iowa residents must have voted for some election within four years or their registration becomes invalidated, Missouri has no such requirements.

In Missouri, once persons have registered to vote their registration is good until they move out of the precinct.

"Then we just need a change of address," Zimmerman said.

"We do canvas the registrants every four years to see if the people are living in the same place," Zimmerman said.



'You're the one'

Julie Pesek works at the McDonald's restaurant in Maryville to help pay her way through school. Jobs have been scarce in the area despite Nodaway County's low unemployment rate. The County is third lowest in the state, but some students have trouble finding jobs that fit their class schedule and pay their way through school. [Missourian Photo/Jodee Melnet]

Viewpoint

Holiday observance should be continued

For the first time in three years, students and faculty will be able to participate in a national holiday this fall. The University calendar includes Labor Day, Sept. 1, as a school holiday.

This one day off, although it is the day before school starts, will be beneficial to students, faculty and administration. In years past, family vacations or just weekend trips to the lake have had to be cut short or postponed because school was in session during this holiday. This year's juniors and sophomores had probably begun to think Labor Day was not a national holiday anymore and had been removed from the calendar.

It was a little maddening the last two years when students discovered almost everyone except Northwest had the day off and a long weekend to enjoy. If rain, sleet and snow cannot keep the Post Office from delivering the mail, but Labor Day can, it seems only fair that college students and instructors get the day off, too.

This one day may not make any noticeable difference in the rest of the 1980-81 school calendar, but a national holiday, like Labor Day, should be observed by the University. Hopefully, it is a tradition that will not be broken again.

The Stroller

Even your man-about-Maryville gets bored and finds he must leave the city limits and head for the great homestead. This weekend seemed to be a particularly good one to go and visit Mom and Dad Stroller since they of course missed his smiling face through the long, dull summer and more important—he was out of money and was hoping to hit them up for a loan.

Your Stroller first suspected something was wrong when he drove past his own house. Usually, your Hero could spot the house because it never changes. But this time there were five vehicles your Hero had never seen before. When your detective Hero observed the license plates, on these various cars were all from Oklahoma, his heart sank.

"Oh no! It's the curse of the Okie relatives," he thought to himself. Your Stroller would normally not put people down by region, but these particular relatives usually came at the wrong time, stayed too long and worst of all, brought 19 undisciplined children along with them. Your Carouser knew that the last time he had seen the little terrors they had been in grade school, but had still managed to tie him to the T.V. antenna for several hours and throw vegetables at him. This meant they would be in junior high now. Oh, goody, his favorite age. Your Hero could only look forward to a weekend of Kiss records, knock-knock jokes, Andy Gibb glossies and cootie tag.

Hoping to sneak into his house unobserved, your Hero entered through the back door, only to stumble over two of his cousins in a wrestling match on the floor.

"Cousin Stroller!" they yelled as he fell onto the carpet. "Aunt Stroller, didn't think you'd be home."

Now, your Hero was surprised at this warm welcome by his sometimes violent cousins, who once put Kitty Stroller in the microwave, until he found out they only wanted him so he could drive them up to the local pinball hang-out and buy them an infinite amount of soft drinks. The young punks immediately turned on him when they found your Stroller was no sucker and had other plans in mind.

After discovering your man was not going to drive them anywhere or even wrestle with them, the cunning cousins went on to bigger and better things—stripping the hubcaps off the Lemon (luckily for your man the Lemon was down to one). The next piece of bad news for your Hero was that Aunt Bertha had already claimed his own personal waterbed. This meant your Carouser was sentenced to sleep in the basement with all of his male relatives.

After eating (which resembled nightmares in kityland) your Hero sneaked off to hit all of his favorite local bars and pick up all of his favorite local women. He did not escape without the familiar remarks from his relatives about what his major was (What wasn't it?) and why he was still in school after all these years. After a few uncomfortable moments, your Stroller was off to drown his sorrows.

The bars proved less interesting than your Hero had hoped since all the local women, who usually fell at his feet on his rare weekends home, seemed to have other interests. Even 72-year-old Wilma Windedine told him to "bug off." Although his night was getting

duller by the minute, no matter how many drinks he downed, he knew he was not about to go home until he could be sure all the young punks were safely in bed. This is the reason your Carouser spent a little too much time and a lot too much money at the bar, but still arrived home around 2 a.m.

Assured that the little brats would be sound asleep, your Hero crept downstairs and opened the basement door as quickly as possible. As he stepped into the pitch black room, he was blinded by the overhead light and smacked on the side of the head by several well-aimed pillows.

"Shoot, what the fudge is going on?" screamed your Hero at the evil-looking children dressed in matching Village People pajamas.

They just stared at him with the innocent, blank stares of adolescents. Getting no response, your Stroller crawled into the blanket rolled on the floor (that he decided must be his excuse for a bed) and tried to go to sleep. Luckily, your man is a heavy sleeper and fell asleep, despite the pillow war that raged on.

Since his young cousins had gone to bed so late, your Hero took it for granted that they would not get up until well into the afternoon. If this worked out, your Hero could sleep late, get up a little before the punks and sneak out to do some running around town. But once again the little munchkins fooled him. At 5:30 a.m. he was awakened by six of the juvenile delinquents jumping on his chest. This time your dazed Carouser did not even try to fight it—he just grabbed his tattered blanket and headed out back to sleep under the picnic table. This did not last long since by 10 o'clock the sun had become unbearable (even for a holy blanket) and your Hero had to retreat inside.

Your Stroller was delighted when he discovered all the relatives had apparently taken a field trip into town for some entertaining purpose. Kissing his Mom and Dad Stroller good-bye, he grabbed what remained of his clothes and took his chance to escape this punk nightmare.

"Good-bye, Mom. Good-bye, Dad," your Stroller yelled as he jumped into the Lemon.

"But we didn't even notice your were home yet," Mom Stroller cried out.

After apologizing and instructing his parents where to send money, your Hero headed back to dull quiet Maryville for a little rest.

Letter to the editor

Dear Editor,

The feature story "A Look at the Ad Building," July 25, 1980, makes it appear that the Administration Building has been completely deserted since the July 24 fire. We would like your readers to know that Home Economics is alive and well in third floor, east wing. A total of 33 different classes have met regularly in the Home Economics laboratories in the Administration Building since August 1979.

Frances Shipley, chairperson
Home economics



Harry [Kerry Bunker] won't let Nellie [Kelley Dickey] see what he is writing in his book of poetry in the theater department's production of "Easy." The play was written by University student Scott Tennant. Tennant also directs the play which runs at 8 p.m. Aug. 6 and 7 at Charles Johnson Theater. [Missourian Photo/Dave Gieseke]

Theater "Easy" has potential

By Janice Corder

"Easy," Northwest's first play written by a student, may not be the best play ever staged at the University, but it certainly has potential. The play, written by Scott Tennant, is based on a Harry Chapin song called "They Call Her Easy." The song, which has been incorporated into the play, is about a lonely girl who is "giving out her love for free." Tennant has used imagination and some personal experience to turn Chapin's ballad into a believable story.

"Easy," a two-act production with four scenes, runs approximately 90 minutes. The cast includes only three characters and two walk-ons. Tennant directs the play.

Most of the plot concerns Harry played by Kerry Bunker, a young writer who has recently broken off his love affair. Harry, who is in a state of romantic and creative confusion, ends up at a local bar. Here, he meets Nick, played by Tim Treese, the psychologist-bartender. It would be nice if real businessmen were all as generous as Nick, but his generosity is sometimes a little bit hard to believe. It is, nevertheless, refreshing. Also refreshing in the play is the unique set. "Easy" uses a dual set which makes for some different scene shifts. Despite the unreal aspects of Treese's character, he effectively makes you believe he really could be the generous, half psychologist/half bartender, and Bunker comes across very well as the confused and frustrated author.

Nellis, played by Kelley Dickey, is the girl called Easy. Tennant has made her

character the most interesting, especially since she and none of the characters were really specific in the song. Nellie is the exact opposite of what an easy young woman would be. The viewer might expect an incense-burning, scantily-dressed woman, but Nellie is a very old-fashioned girl with quite a few principles. At the beginning of the play, she seems a little simple-minded, but later her character reveals a deeper side. Nellie and Harry are both victims of loneliness, but Nellie seems to truly understand the feeling, while Harry only gets a small taste of it.

At the time of this preview to "Easy," technical details were not final yet. There was no professional set, lighting, sound effects or music, but once these are down the realism of the play should become outstanding. Although this student production may not make the big time, it could be a starting place for a talented playwright. Tennant has a talent for realistic action and getting the audience involved in the play. It seemed that much of the plot was taken from his own experiences.

"Easy" will be presented at 8 p.m. Aug. 6 and 7 at Charles Johnson Theater. Also assisting with the play are J. Dale Dupre as the scene designer, Gary Hendrix as the lighting designer, Fred Clark as the sound designer and Vicky Clay as the stage manager and costumes director. Karen Hamilton is the assistant director.

A complete student production is unique at Charles Johnson. Hopefully, it is something that will be continued for both the benefit of the drama students and their Northwest audience.

VideoPhile

By Brian Laverty

During the summer months, prime-time television suffers from a chronic condition known as reruns. The boredom caused by this condition has been known to drive viewers to such bizarre acts as gardening, fishing and sitting on porch swings.

NBC's planned 152 hours of Summer Olympic coverage might have alleviated the annual malaise, but was cancelled by President Carter's boycott of the Moscow games. This left only the Miss Universe Pageant to substitute for the great spectacle of international competition.

In recent years, the networks have tried to relieve the rerun lag by injecting their leftovers into the summer schedule. Leftovers include the pilot episodes for rejected series, new episodes from series that were cancelled earlier in the season and episodes from series that were cancelled before ever being shown on the air.

An example from the last category is ABC's "Nobody's Perfect." The series was announced as part of ABC's fall schedule in the spring of 1979. It was included in the network's promotional blitz that summer, but was nowhere to be seen when the season began in September. The eight episodes produced are being shown Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. this summer.

"Angie," jerked from the schedule

because of poor ratings, returns to ABC Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

The reruns may drag on longer than usual if striking actors and TV producers don't reach agreement soon. The strike by members of the Screen Actors Guild and the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists has halted production of both prime-time series and feature films.

The main dispute between actors and producers involves sharing the profits made from cable TV and videocassette sales.

The strike won't affect the start of the pro football pre-season. ABC will broadcast the Hall of Fame game between the Green Bay Packers and the San Diego Chargers on Aug. 2.

Americans must learn before they can vote

As primaries near, American people across the country will constantly be reminded of their right and responsibility to vote for one of the presidential candidates.

But which is worse? Having a president who is elected for his popularity by a lot of people who don't even know if Ronald Reagan is Republican or Democrat? Or to have the small percentage of people who do know that Reagan is Republican vote for one of the candidates because they know the score on the issues and on the candidates?

The first, of course.

Granted, it is a sad situation when Americans do not take a serious interest in today's politics, especially during election year. The people do have a choice—though it may seem like not much at times—as to who will lead their country into war, out of war, into inflation, out of inflation, into jobs and out of jobs. But if ignorance and lack of interest dominate people, how can they be expected to vote with conviction and wisdom?

Before people are pushed to vote, they must be pushed to learn. They should be motivated to learn more about our nation's governing system so that they may spot the winners from the losers. Otherwise, they will forever be one of the many nonvoters who will complain about the incorrigible job of the man in the White House.

This learning should be incorporated into the primary and secondary grades of school, but just about the only hope for the student in college now is voluntary interest. It is a fact of life that not all will be so enthralled with the realm of politics that they live and breathe election results and campaigns. But it is also a fact of life that the man—for now, anyway—voted into the No. 1 seat will be there for four year's time, and it would sure be nice to have confidence in the person elected.

It is also sad that a long hard battle won on June 22, 1970, by an era of human-rights conscious people has really had no significance on the national elections. Eighteen-year-olds were given the right to vote then, but horribly enough, it is the college-aged people who claim about the lowest voting percentage in the country.

If our "leaders of tomorrow" cannot even generate enough interest in choosing our leaders for today, what kind of shape will America be in tomorrow?

Boise incident frightening to freedom of the press

Last Saturday, sheriff's deputies searched a Boise, Idaho, television newsroom and confiscated two videotapes of last week's riot at the Idaho State Penitentiary. County prosecutors want the tapes to help in identifying the leaders of the riot.

The search and seizure is the second since a 1978 Supreme Court ruling that search warrants can be issued for materials held by news organizations and reporters.

Journalists complain that court seizures of a reporter's notes or materials threaten the confidentiality of news sources. Confidential sources are essential in obtaining information that might not otherwise be made public.

Missouri and a few other states have passed shield laws to protect the confidentiality of news sources and to prevent situations like the one in Boise last weekend. Unfortunately, Idaho and most other states have no such protection.

The Carter administration has proposed a federal statute that would establish shield protection on a national level. However, Congress has not yet acted on the proposal.

A federal shield law is needed now, before another search and seizure in a newsroom takes place.

Bob Loy, a KBCI reporter who covered the riot, said, "When I saw them going through my desk, I saw my freedoms evaporate."

The freedoms that Loy saw evaporating will not only harm journalists, it will harm the public and their right to be informed.

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Sports

University sidelines four sports

It may be a long time before the three cancelled sports return to the athletic program. And the newest MIAA sport, soccer, will also be on the sidelines in the coming years.

Dr. John Mees, vice president for student development, said that swimming, gymnastics, golf and soccer will not be considered for inclusion in the athletic program for many years.

"If we can afford to add back a sport, then we will," Mees said. "But right now our budget will not allow another sport to be added."

Swimming, gymnastics and golf were cancelled during the 1978-79 school year by the Board of Regents for a variety of reasons. Swimming was cancelled because of inadequate facilities, gymnastics was discontinued because of a lack of competition with area schools and golf was dropped because of the bad weather experienced in the spring.

But with the building of the aquatic center, the necessary facilities for swimming will once again be provided. The interior of the center will house a six-lane, 25-meter pool meeting Olympic and NCAA specifications. The pool will be equipped with two one-meter boards and one three-meter board. Despite this, swimming will not be considered for reinstatement as a sport until 1982-83 at the earliest. The building will be completed by the summer of 1981.

"Being reinstated," Mees said, "But before we do, we're going to have to consider our budgets. We will have to work in the transportation cost, as well as food and lodging for the team when they go on the road."

Mees said that if swimming is added, then a decision would have to be made, as to whether both men and women's teams will be offered, or just one team

with both men and women competing. This would probably double the cost of budgeting, if both a men's and women's team are offered, Mees said.

Gymnastics and golf are a different matter. Presently, golf is a club sport and gymnastics is a community activity on campus. Mees said that there are currently no plans to reinstate either sport into the athletic program.

"Neither is being considered right now," he said. "But both potentially could be. Fall golf is a possibility and is more popular in this area of the country, but we will just have to wait and see."

Soccer is a different story, though. The MIAA is adding the sport to its competition levels and at least three schools will participate this year. The University of Missouri-St. Louis, Northeast Missouri State and the University of Missouri-Rolla will all field a team in the upcoming year. Central Missouri State, Southeast

Missouri State and Southwest Missouri State all presently have club teams, but one, all or none could have a team this year, Mees said. But Northwest has no plans for such a club.

Mees said that soccer is a club sport right now and it will be three to five years before it will probably be considered.

"It will depend a lot on the interest, emphasis and other sports if soccer ever becomes an intercollegiate sport at Northwest," he said.

There is not a lack of opponents in the area. Schools besides the MIAA members that have soccer teams are the University of Missouri-Columbia, Kansas, Kansas State, Drake and several other Division I schools in the area.

"We could play all the soccer we wanted to in a 150-mile radius," Mees said. "But it will just depend on the amount of interest shown and the funds available before we can consider it."

On the sidelines

By Dave Gieseke

Uncertainty fills the air as the athletic program prepares to start another year of sports. The uncertainty lies with many teams, sometimes not with the players, but with the coaches.

Football is one of those sports where a little bit of uncertainty lies. Not much, though, considering several of the top Bearcat performers of a year ago are back. With the likes of Donald Lott, Robert Chauza, Dave Toti and John Farmer, the 'Cats will be in the thick of things for the conference crown. The uncertainty here lies in the quarter-backing slot. The 'Cats lost Mark Smith to graduation and a lot of inexperienced hands are trying to gain his spot. If Coach Jim Redd can come up with a good signal caller, then it will be probably another title-grabber year for the 'Cats.

Uncertainty rests with the Bearkitten cross country team, as well as the track squad. As of yet, the team does not have a coach to replace Laurie Meyers Potter, who resigned. Several runners are back, but without a coach, it is too early to tell how far they can go. They have the potential to carry their skills a long way, but also could stumble at the starting gun.

Much the same can be said for Richard Alsop's cross country team. Graduation has reduced the squad that made it to nationals last season. Three top runners were lost to the real world, but Jim Ryan's good showing in last season's track should carry on into the cross country season. Ryan is only a

sophomore and should thrill 'Cat fans for many years to come.

Coach Pam Stanek has made the volleyball team a winner in the last couple of seasons and that should continue this time around. With Rebecca Johnson returning, the Bearkittens not only have an outstanding player, but a team leader as well. Look for the 'Kittens to challenge Missouri Western this year. This could be the year that the Northwest women finally conquer the Lady Griffons.

Perhaps the biggest question mark this year will be the 'Cat basketball team. The squad almost made it to regional play a year ago and posted their second consecutive winning marks, but this season could be a complete turnaround. Only one player of note, Mark Yager, returns for the 'Cats. His sophomore running mate of a year ago, Crale Bauer, has transferred to Kearny State, so it is up to Yager to try to mold the team together.

Coach Lionel Sinn has tried to erase the pain of graduation and transfers by bringing in a few transfers of his own. He has brought in four junior college players and recruited three roundballers from the high school ranks. But these players have yet to play together, so it might be awhile before they can get their act together. It should prove to be a long season for Yager and Sinn.

But then there is women's basketball. The 'Kittens did not lose a single player to graduation and barring any sudden decision not to play, the 'Kittens could

prove to be the best the school has to offer this year. Julie Chadwick and Patty Painter will once again lead the 'Kittens and hopefully can win the state title. It will be a challenge, but Coach Wayne Winstead has players to burn on his bench. It could very well be an outstanding season for the 'Kittens.

The 'Cat wrestlers are another uncertainty. After a marvelous finish two years ago, the grapplers dropped to fourth last year. The squad has a lot of young wrestlers and Jerry Lenox is back for his senior year, one in which he could place in nationals.

There is no doubt that Jim Wasem will come up with a winner in baseball. The only question is how many games and how far into the season he will go. He came up with a conference title this year and should provide one in the upcoming season. Those teams around the MIAA had better watch out for Wasem and his crew.

Question marks surround the 'Cats tennis team like the plague. Once one of the top sports at the University, the netters have fallen in recent years from the top spot in the conference with two second-place finishes in a row and an unexpected drop to fifth last year with no end in sight. The squad was at the top for a long time and it looks like now they will be at the bottom for just as long.

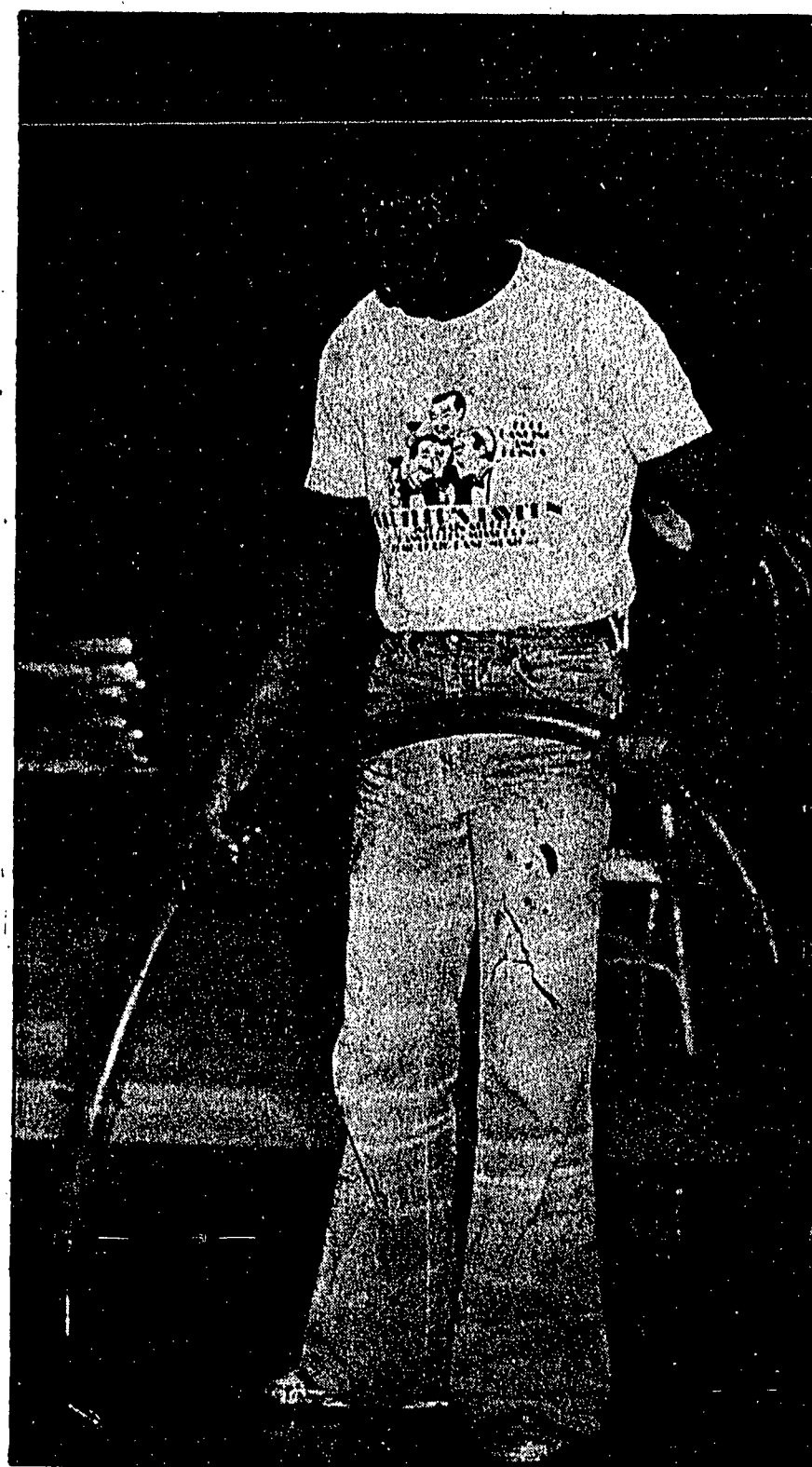
The women's tennis team is a different story. They have been a total opposite from the men's teams in the past, but last year they turned it around, but not quite as much as the

men did. Look for the squad to continually improve.

Men's track has not won an outdoor conference title in 30 years and don't look for one this year. It will be a long season for the cindermen and their women counterparts. Like cross country they are presently without a coach and looking for direction.

Coaches George and Virginia Gumm have recruited several of their softball players from the summer leagues and so far it has paid off for them and should continue to do so this year. A lot of young talent is on the team and if the weather will cooperate, then maybe they can get in some experience early in the season.

It won't be too long before the season begins. Footballs will start to fly through the air any minute now on campus. And it is just as well. For a sports writer, summer at a University can get pretty boring.



Pouring on the finish

Steve Lucido pours a new Tartan surface on the floor of Lamkin Gymnasium. The surface surrounds the basketball court and contains a six-lane track, two tennis courts and six badminton courts. The project is designed to improve the gym's usefulness and overall appearance. It is a part of the \$1.4 million Lamkin Gym renovation project. [Missourian Photo/Dave Gieseke]

Sports Hall of Fame gets start

Plans are now in the making to induct the first two members into the NWMSU sports Hall of Fame. Henry Iba and the late Jack McCracken will be inducted into the Hall of Fame during the Bearcat's Homecoming game Oct. 11 against the University of Missouri-Rolla.

Athletic Director Richard Flanagan has always considered having a Hall of Fame and it will become a reality this fall because of the friends of the late Loretta Milner.

"When Loretta Milner, the wife of former Athletic Director Ryland Milner, died, some of her friends donated money as a sort of memorial for her," Flanagan said.

The money is being used to build a showcase at the southeast entrance to Lamkin Gym. Pictures of the inductees

will be placed in the showcase along with a plaque signifying Milner's memorial.

The first inductee will be former NWMSU basketball Coach Henry Iba. Iba came to Northwest in 1930. In his four years of leading the Bearcats, Iba finished with a record of 99-15, with three MIAA titles. The 1932 team finished in second place in the NCAA Championship with a record of 22-4, while the 1930 team went undefeated, 31-0.

After 42 years of coaching high school and college ball, Iba retired with an overall record of 804-331. He also helped with the 1964, '68 and '72 Olympic teams placing first, first and second, respectively.

To be inducted along with Iba is one of his players, the late Jack McCracken.

McCracken came out of Oklahoma City in 1930 as a center. He ended up three-time All-MIAA and in 1938 was voted the AAU's greatest basketball player. McCracken is already an inductee into the Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass.

The inductions will become a traditional event during the Homecoming festivities, along with the special recognition of a past team. The M Club members will choose the person to be inducted.

"M Club members will be able to submit names of prospective inductees. From there, the names will go before a special committee and will be voted on," Flanagan said.

Flanagan is trying to get representatives from both Iba and McCracken families to attend the ceremony.

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